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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the specification:

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 19, line 21, with the following paragraph.

--Figs 5A, 5B, and 5C are graphs illustrating the effect of transforming growth factor (TCR) crosslinking on proliferation of the IS-2.15 clone. Each point represents the mean of triplicate determinations + SEM. As a positive control, the same experimental procedure was undertaken using 10⁵ NOD spleen cells.--

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 20, line 8, with the following paragraph.

-- Figs. 8A and 8B are graphs illustrating that IS-2.15 supernatant does not modify IL-2Ra expression on HT-2 cells.--

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 21, line 1, with the following paragraph.

-- Figs. 15A-15K are diagrams of constructs expressing CTLA4-Ig under the control of various promoters.--

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